GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVANTS – Registration and Stamps – Surprise check conducted on the Sub-Registrar Office, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District on 17-08-2019 – Allegations of misconduct – Disciplinary action against Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District - Sanction Accorded – Common disciplinary proceedings initiated – Articles of Charge framed – Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.523 Dated:31-08-2021
Read:-

G.O.Ms.No.74, Revenue (Vig-II) Department, dated 25.03.2021.

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O R D E R :

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under Sub Clause (i) of Clause (b) of Sub Rule (2) of Rule 9 of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District and in continuation of the orders issued under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, vide reference read above, it is considered necessary to hold an inquiry against the said Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputation of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure-I) and the imputation of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures-III and IV).

3. Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District is directed to submit, within seven (7) days of the receipt of this Order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the time specified in para 3 above, or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

(P.T.O)

6. Attention of Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further their interests in respect of matters pertaining to their service under Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

RAJAT BHARGAVA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri Singalreddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Jt.Sub Registrar-I, O/o Sub Registrar, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District (Enclosed Annexures I to IV) through the Commissioner & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.(with a request to serve the order on the individual and send the served copy with dated signature to Government).

The Commissioner & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Eedupugallu, Vijayawada, Krishna District.

Copy to:

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Pandit Nehru Bus Station, NTR Administrative Block, 2nd Floor, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

The Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, YSR Kadapa District.

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SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI SINGAL REDDY VIDYA SAGAR REDDY, AGE 53 YEARS, S/O SINGAL REDDY SIDDA REDDY, JOINT SUB-REGISTRAR-1, O/O SRO, PRODDATUR IN SC NO.1/SC-KDP/2019

That, Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy has joined into Govt. service on 29.01.1992 as Junior Assistant and worked at Hyderabad. He was promoted as Senior Assistant on 01.12.2004 and worked at Hyderabad. He worked as I/c Sub-Registrar Grade-II at Tirupati Rural. He worked as Regular Sub-Registrar at Tirupati. He worked as Joint Sub-Registrar-1, O/o The District Registrar (O.B), Proddatur from 19.10.2018 to 17.08.2019 i.e., date of surprise check. (He is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant). While working as Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur he has committed grave misconduct as much as.

Charge-1:

That the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy in abuse of his official position, while working as Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur collusion with other staff overlooked the engaging of 4 private persons to work in the office and also allowed to collect illegal amounts/bribes in the office from the claimants on behalf of Sub-Registrar and staff and also for keeping the bribe amount collected from the document writers/assistant document writers which prove that he allowed corrupt practices.

Charge-2:

That the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy in abuse of his official position, while working as Joint Sub-Registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur in collusion with other staff engaged the services of document writers / assistant document writers unauthorized for collection of bribe/illegal gratification on behalf of him and his staff and un-accounted cash of Rs. 2,24,730/- collected as bribe/illegal gratifications from claimants on behalf of Sub-Registrar and staff was found in possession of 11 document writers/ assistant document writers.

Charge-3:

That the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy in abuse of his official position, while working as Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur, being supervisory officer, utterly failed to monitor the staff working under him in the office giving ample scope for the subordinates, who resort to corrupt practices and violated the provisions laid down under by instructions of the Superior Officers and thereby he failed to take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

Thus, the Govt. servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy while working as Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur by his above-mentioned acts exhibited slack supervision, lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct of unbecoming a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and thereby contravened Rules 3 (1), 3 (2) & 3 (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

RAJAT BHARGAVA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AND MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE DRAFT ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI SINGAL REDDY VIDYA SAGAR REDDY, AGE 53 YEARS, S/O SINGAL REDDY SIDDA REDDY,JOINT SUB-REGISTRAR-1, O/O SRO, PRODDATUR IN SC NO.1/SC-KDP/2019

Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy is a native of Porumamilla town, Kadapa District. His date of birth is 11.06.1967. He entered into Govt. service on 29.01.1992 as Junior Assistant and worked at Hyderabad. He was promoted as Senior Assistant on 01.12.2004 and worked at Hyderabad. He worked as I/c Sub-Registrar Grade-II at Tirupati Rural. He worked as Regular Sub-Registrar at Tirupati. He worked as Joint Sub-Registrar-1, O/o The District Registrar (O.B), Proddatur from 19.10.2018 to 17.08.2019 i.e., date of surprise check. Presently working as Joint Sub-Registrar-I, Proddatur from 19.10.2018 to till date. He is drawing a basic pay of Rs.43,680/- as on 17.08.2019 in the scale of pay of Rs.28,940-78,910. His superannuation is on 30.06.2027. He is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant.

Facts of the case:

On the request of DSP, ACB, Kadapa on 17.08.2019, two mediators arrived at the O/o DSP, ACB, Kadapa at about 11.00 AM. Then Sri M. Nagabhushanam, DSP, ACB, Kurnool Range, Kurnool, I/c Kadapa, Inspectors Sri K. Ramachandra, Sri P. Sreenivasa Reddy and staff of A.C.B, Kadapa and above mentioned mediators assembled at the O/o. DSP, ACB, Kadapa at 11.30 AM. The DSP, A.C.B, apprised the A.C.B officials and mediators about the information received by him and requested the officials to act as mediators for the surprise check being done.

The surprise check party members left the office of DSP, ACB, Kadapa in Govt. Bolero Vehicles on 17.08.2019 at 11:45 AM and reached near IOC Petrol Bunk on Proddatur-Korrapadu road near SRO office, Proddatur at 1:00 PM and took vantage positions.

At about 1:05 PM all the team members entered into the O/o Sub-Registrar, Proddatur located in the Government building bearing D.No.7/3093, opposite III town PS on Proddatur - Korrapadu road, Proddatur town. The DSP introduced his identity and that of his team members and informed the purpose of ACB teams visiting the office and requested them to co-operate in conducting a surprise check in the registrar office. All the doors of the office were guarded and all the persons present in the office are instructed not to move from their places and also informed of the purpose of the ACB team visit to the office. The DSP secured the Attendance Register, Personal Cash Declaration Register.

In the total of one Joint Sub-Registrar-1, two Senior Assistants., two Junior Asst., two Office Subordinates and one Shroff were present in Sub-Registrar Office, Proddatur. 11 Document Writers / Assistant Document Writers and few customers who came for their works are present in the office at the time of search by ACB team. When the DSP enquired about their names and addresses and other particulars. Upon they voluntarily without any force and influence stated their names, address and other details and is as follows-

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Sub-Registrar Office Regular and Private Employees:

1) Sri Singal Reddy Vidyasagar Reddy, age 52 years, S/o S.Sidda Reddy, Sub-Registrar, Proddutur R/o YMR Colony, Near Saibaba Temple, Proddutur Cell No.7989441212.
2) Sri Lingamdinne Sreedhar Reddy, 48 years, S/o Obul Reddy, Senior Assistant, Proddutur O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o Door No.4/106-22, Nehru Road, Proddutur Cell No.9885127963.
3) Sri Ganduru Veera Mrunalini, age 47 years, W/o Venu Gopal Reddy, Senior Assistant, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur, R/o Door No.3/1008, YMR Colony, Proddutur, Cell No.8498944120.
4) Sri Dupati Prasanna Kumar, age 43 years, S/o D.V.Rama Raju, Junior Assistant, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o YMR Colony, Proddutur, Cell No.8790439929.
5) Sri Konda Venkata Ramana Reddy, age 43 years, S/o Late Subba Reddy, Junior Assistant, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o YMR Colony, Proddutur Cell No.9666173533.
6) Sri Tiruchunapalli Satya Narayana Vamsi Mohan Reddy, age 30 years, S/o T.M.S.N.Reddy, Office Sub-ordinate, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o Door No.222, Housing Boarding Colony, Proddutur Cell No.8341432886.
7) Sri SurasuraVijya Lakshmi, age 29 years, W/o Late Mahes Kumar, office sub-ordinate, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur, R/o Door No.7/2329, Sreenivasa Nagar, Proddutur, Cell No.9491892384.

Private Persons working in the office:

1) Sri Udayagiri Madhusudhana Rao, age 39 years, S/o Anjaneyulu, System Engineer (Akshara Enterprises India Pvt Ltd), O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur, R/o Door No.4-1510-1, Super Bazar Road, MurrasadhuMattam Street, Prodduur Cell No.9014417770.
2) Kum. YerrablliMahejabeen, age 33 years, D/o Y.Mahammad Ismail, private computer operator, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur, R/o Door No.21/460, K.H.M Street, Proddutur, Cell No.9110762382.
3) Sri Polepalli Lokesh, age 29 years, S/o Venu Gopal, private computer operator, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o Door No.2/3-188/60, Vasavi Colony, Pulivendula Cell No.9000316995.
4) Sri Nune Madhav, age 29 years, S/o Subbarayudu, private computer operator, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o Door No.9/140-10-22, Saipeta, Kadapa Cell No.9000197010.

Document Writers/Assistant Document Writers:-

1) Sri Chennur Jamaluddin, age 52 years, S/o Khajapeer, Document writer, R/o Door No.15/787, Jinna Road, Proddutur cell No.9491475999.
2) Sri Pulla Velu Konda Reddy, age 57 years, S/o Narasimha Reddy, Document Writer, R/o Door No.12/569, Kota Veehi, Proddutur Cell No.9440093611.
3) Sri Vempalli Rama Mohan Rao, age 67 years, S/o Sada Siva Rao, document writer, R/o Homaspet, Proddutur Cell No.944082010.
4) Sri Lingaraju Mallikarjuna, age 43 years, S/o Uma Maheswar Rao, Document writer, R/o Chennamrajupalli, Proddutur Cell No.9849396321

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5) Sri Shaik Ghoue Basha, age 27 years, S/o Kamal Basha, Assistant to Document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.6/555, Arts College Road, Proddutur Cell No.9177575179.
6) Sri Asam Raghu, age 46 years, S/o Ramakrishna Reddy, Assistant to Konda Reddy, R/o Door No.3/88, YMR Colony, Proddutur Cell No.9177464107.
7) Sri Shaik Gaffar Basha, age 27 years, S/o Abdul Rasool, Assistant to document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.15/462-2, Balaji Nagar, Proddutur Cell No.9951492078.
8) Sri Mulapak Venkata Subbaiah, age 21 years, S/o Sambaiah, Assistant to document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.2/130, Kallur (V), Proddutur Cell No.9502176190.
9) Sri Guddeti Sreenivasulu, age 34 years, S/o Ramaiah, Assistant to Document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.5/1774-1, Srinivasa Nagar, Proddutur Cell No.957364121.
10) Sri Jollu Bharat Kumar, age 28 years, S/o Prasad (Gold Values), IIFL (INDIAN INFOLIN FINANCE LTD), Assistant to document writer Kamal Basha, Homaspet, Proddutur, R/o Door No.25/436, Vasanthapeta Street, Proddutur Cell No.9000023467.
11) Sri Vempalli Raghu Prasad Rao, age 48 years, S/o Rama Bhadra Rao, Assistant to document writer Rama Mohan Rao, R/o Door No.14/218, Srinivasapuram, Gopavaram Panchayat, Proddutur Cell No.9849330971.

Public present in the office:-

1) Sri Syed Mohammed Rafi, 37 yrs., R/o D.No.21/224, Hyder Khan street, Proddatur, YSR District.
2) Sri C.Somasekhar Reddy, R/o Flat No.406, C.Block Elite Avenue Apartment, Teachers Colony, Kothapalli, Proddatur, YSR District.
3) Sri Moole Mysoora Reddy, Age 49 yrs., R/o D.No.14/284-8-1, Mydukur village & town, YSR Dist.
4) Sri Veerendra Kumar, Age 41 yrs., R/o Doo No.5/1663 Upstairs, Sriram Nagar street, Proddatur.
5) Sri D.Venugopal Reddy, Age 36 yrs., R/o Door No.4/881, Venkateswara peta, Proddatur.

The DSP, ACB along with the Inspectors and staff physically checked all the male persons present in the office and also asked women staff to check themselves.

At the request of DSP, ACB, Kadapa, Sub-Registrar, Proddatur produced the following records.

1. **Attendance Register:-** The record is being maintained from 1 January 2019 to date. On verifying the register, Sri S.V.Sudhakar Reddy, SRO-2 is absent since 1.8.2019. On enquiry, Sub-Registrar-1 stated that the SRO-2 is on Medical leave. On physical counting of the staff members in the office with that of the names mentioned in today's Attendance Register that 1) Sri S.Vidhyasagar Reddy, SRO-1, 2) Sri L.Sreedhar Reddy, Sr. Asst., 3) Sri G.Veera Mrunalini, Sr. Asst., 4) Sri D.Prasanna Kumar, Jr. Asst., 5) Sri K.V.Ramana Reddy, Jr. Asst., 6) Sri B.Krishna Naik, Shroff, 7) Smt. S.Vijayalakshmi, Office Subordinate, 8) Sri T.S.N. Vamsi Mohan Reddy, Office Subordinate are present.

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2. **Personnel Cash Declaration Register**:- The record is being maintained from 1.1.2019 to date. On verifying the register all the regular staff have declared their cash. There is no discrepancy.

The DSP, ACB, Kadapa seized 1) Attendance Register and 2) Personnel cash Declaration Register after due attestations by the mediators and the DSP for taking further action and remaining registers were returned to them for further maintenance and attestations by the mediators and DSP, ACB.

There are 4 Private Employees are working in SRO Office, Proddatur engaged by the Sub-Registrar, Proddatur i.e., 1) Sri Udayagiri Madhusudhan Rao is working as System Hardware and he is paying Rs.12,000/- for every month by the SRO, 2) Sri Polepalli Lokesh is working as Assistant to U.Madhusudan Rao and he is paying Rs.6,000/- by the SRO, Proddatur, 3) Sri YerrablliMahejabeen have been engaged by SRO since 2 months and paying Rs.200/- per day, and 4) Nune Madhav have been engaged by SRO since 20 days and paying Rs.200/- per day,

On search of the above private employees, no amount was found with them.

On physically checking of cash present with the Document Writers/ Assistant Document Writers/ Application Vendors the following amount was found.

S. No.	Name of the Document Writer/Assistant Document Writer/Stamp Vendor	Amount Rs.
1	Chennur Jamaluddin, age 52 years, S/o Khajapeer, Document writer, R/o Door No.15/787, Jinna Road, Proddutur cell No.9491475999	15,000/-
2	Pulla Velu Konda Reddy, age 57 years, S/o Narasimha Reddy, Document Writer, R/o Door No.12/569, Kota Veehi, Proddutur Cell No.9440093611.	20,000/-
3	Vempalli Rama Mohan Rao, age 67 years, S/o Sada Siva Rao, document writer, R/o Homaspet, Proddutur Cell No.9440820109	18,000/-
4	Lingaraju Mallikarjuna, age 43 years, S/o Uma Maheswar Rao, Document writer, R/o Chennamrajupalli, Proddutur Cell No.9849396321	21,000/-
5	Shaik Ghoue Basha, age 27 years, S/o Kamal Basha, Assistant to Document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.6/555, Arts College Road, Proddutur Cell No.9177575179	35,000/-
6	Asam Raghu, age 46 years, S/o Ramakrishna Reddy, Assistant to Konda Reddy, R/o Door No.3/88, YMR Colony, Proddutur Cell No.9177464107	34,000/-
7	Shaik Gaffar Basha, age 27 years, S/o Abdul Rasool, Assistant to document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.15/462-2, Balaji Nagar, Proddutur Cell No.9951492078	17,220/-
8	Mulapak Venkata Subbaiah, age 21 years, S/o Sambaiah, Assistant to document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.2/130, Kallur (V), Proddutur Cell No.9502176190	14,500/-

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9	Guddeti Sreenivasulu, age 34 years, S/o Ramaiah, Assistant to Document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.5/1774-1, Srinivasa Nagar, Proddutur Cell No.957364121	31,000/-
10	Jollu Bharat Kumar, age 28 years, S/o Prasad (Gold Values), IIFL (INDIAN INFOLIN FINANCE LTD), Assistant to document writer Kamal Basha, Homaspet, Proddutur, R/o Door No.25/436, Vasanthapeta Street, Proddutur Cell No.9000023467	11,000/-
11	Vempalli Raghu Prasad Rao, age 48 years, S/o Rama Bhadra Rao, Assistant to document writer Rama Mohan Rao, R/o Door No.14/218, Srinivasapuram, Gopavaram Panchayat, Proddutur Cell No.9849330971	8,010/-
Total		**2,24,730/-**

Then the DSP, ACB seized the above unaccounted amount of Rs.2,24,730/- which was found with 11 Document writers/Asst. Document Writers for which they could not account for.

Then the DSP, ACB instructed his staff to check the premises of the said office. After thorough check an amount of Rs.36,480/- was found with Sri B.Krishna Naik, Shroff O/o SRO Proddatur. On verification of Registers, it is found that the above-mentioned amount was collected by B.Krishna Naik by selling stamps. As such the said amount was returned to B.Krishna Naik as it belongs to the Govt. cash.

Then DSP, ACB asked Sri S. Vidyasagar Reddy, Sub-Registrar to offer his explanation regarding the presence of Private Employees. On that he stated that because of heavy workload he engaged 4 private persons by paying an amount of Rs.12,000/- and Rs,6000/- respectively per every month for two employees and per day Rs.200/- for two employees from the bribe amount collected from the Document Writers/Assistant Document Writers. Further, when asked about the presence of Document writers/ Assistant Document Writers and in possession of bribe amount in their possession and about the presence of excess unaccounted amount in the premises of the office, he kept silent with a sign of guilt on his face.

Then the DSP, ACB examined 4 Private Employees working in the Sub-Registrar office. The gist of their statements is that Sri U.Madhusudan Rao has been engaged by the Sub-Register for 5 years by paying an amount of Rs.12,000/- per month, Sri P.Lokesh has been engaged by Sub-Registrar for one month by paying an amount of Rs.6,000/- per month, 3) Sri YerrablliMahejabeen has been engaged by SRO since 2 months and paying Rs.200/- per day, and 4) Nune Madhav have been engaged by SRO since 20 days and paying Rs.200/- per day for assisting them in the office work and for collecting mamools i.e., low fees.

The DSP, ACB, Kadapa when asked the Sub Registrar as to why he allowed the above-mentioned document writers and asst. document writers into the office, they kept silent.

Then the DSP, ACB examined 11 Document writers/ Assistant Document Writers present in the O/o. Sub-Registrar, Proddatur. The gist of their statements are that they have been working as Document writers/Assistant Document writers and they are working by taking rented

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rooms in the premises of the SRO office, Proddatur. On the approach of claimants they used to prepare documents for registration, for getting ECs, Valuation certificates etc., the staff of the registrar office are demanding a bribe of Rs.1000/- to 5000/- for each document. As usually today they came to the SRO office intended to give mamools collected from the claimants. Meanwhile, ACB officials conducted a surprise check on the O/o SRO, Proddatur and seized the unaccounted cash from their possession, etc., facts.

Then the DSP, ACB examined 5 individuals ie., Clients/parties who came to the registrar office for availing the services of the Sub-Registrar. Sri Syed Mohammed Rafi, 37 yrs., R/o D.No.21/224, Hyder Khan street, Proddatur, YSR District. Sri C.Somasekhar Reddy, R/o Flat No.406, C.Block Elite Avenue Apartment, Teachers Colony, Kothapalli, Proddatur, YSR District. Sri Moole Mysoora Reddy, Age 49 yrs., R/o D.No.14/284-8-1, Mydukur village & town, YSR Dist. Sri Veerendra Kumar, Age 41 yrs., R/o Doo No.5/1663 Upstairs, Sriram Nagar street, Proddatur. Sri D.Venugopal Reddy, Age 36 yrs., R/o Door No.4/881, Venkateswara peta, Proddatur. The gist of their statements is that they met with the SRO Proddatur for registration and other works. SRO advised them to approach the Document writers. Accordingly, when they approached the above-mentioned Document writers, they asked them to pay the excess amount ie., low fee (bribe amount) to pay the same to SRO and his staff. In meanwhile today ie., on 17.08.2019 while they were present in the office of Sub-Registrar, Proddatur the ACB officials conducted surprise check and checked the Document Writers / Assistant Document Writers, office Regular and Private employees and also checked the premises of the office and found unaccounted bribe amount, etc., facts.

The DSP, ACB, Kadapa observed the Sub Registrar Office, Proddatur. The Sub Registrar office, Proddatur is located on Proddatur – Korrapadu road, opposite the III town Police Station, Proddatur. The said building is old Govt. Building.

During the surprise check total amount of Rs.2,24,730/- was found with the 11 document /Asst. Document writers were seized by the DSP ACB Kadapa for taking further action.

Letter No.E1/1397/2019, dt 25-08-2019 of District Registrar, Kadapa, YSR District. It reveals that the service particulars, duties and responsibilitiesof the employees, who are working at SRO, Proddutur, on the date of Surprise Check.

Circular Memo No.X2/10708/94, dt.30.12.1997 of Commissioner & I.G (R&S), A.P, Hyderabad. It reveals that "with regard to the punishment provisions on the employees, who was found with an unaccounted amount with them or in the premises of the office. The normal presumption shall be that it is illegal amount obtained as bribe from the parties. Therefore, the onus of disproving the same will be on the charged officer. In all cases where charges are held proved, in cases of this style stringent punishment shall be awarded".

Memo No.X3/18180/95, dt 01-09-1996 of the Commissioner & Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, A.P with regard to prevention of entry of private persons/Document writers into Sub-Registrar offices.

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Memo No.X3/9743/95, dt 10-04-1995 of the Commissioner & Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, A.P with regard to instructions not to engage outsiders for official purpose or private work.

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Basis of the charge:

On the day of the surprise check the DSP, ACB, enquired Sri S. Vidyasagar Reddy, Sub-Registrar to offer his explanation regarding the presence of Private Employees. On that he stated that because of heavy workload he engaged 4 private persons by paying an amount of Rs.12,000/- and Rs,6000/- respectively per every month for two employees and per day Rs.200/- for two employees from the bribe amount collected from the Document Writers/Assistant Document Writers.

The DSP, ACB examined 4 Private Employees working in the Sub-Registrar office. The gist of their statements is that Sri U.Madhusudan Rao has been engaged by the Sub-Register for 5 years by paying an amount of Rs.12,000/- per month, Sri P.Lokesh have been engaged by Sub-Registrar since one month by paying an amount of Rs.6,000/- per month, 3) Sri YerrablliMahejabeen have been engaged by SRO since 2 months and paying Rs.200/- per day, and 4) Nune Madhav have been engaged by SRO since 20 days and paying Rs.200/- per day for assisting them in the office work and for collecting mamools i.e., low fees.

Charge-2:

That the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy in abuse of his official position, while working as Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur in collusion with other staff engaged the services of document writers/Asst.documents writers unauthorized for collection of bribe/illegal gratification on behalf of him and his staff and un-accounted cash of Rs.2,24,730/- collected as bribe/illegal gratifications from claimants on behalf of Sub-Registrar and staff was found in possession of 11 document writers/Asst. Document Writers.

Basis of the charge :

On reliable information on 17.08.2019 01.45 PM to 04.00 PM, a Surprise Check was conducted by Sri M.Nagabhushanam, Dy.Supdt.of Police, ACB, Kurnool Range, Kurnool, I/c Kadapa along with his staff in the presence of two mediators.

The DSP, ACB, Kadapa along with his staff physically checked the document writers/Assistant document writers/Application vendors an amount of Rs.2,24,730/- was found with them.

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The DSP, ACB, enquired Sri S. Vidyasagar Reddy, Sub-Registrar to offer his explanation regarding presence of Document writers/ Assistant Document Writers and in possession of bribe amount in their possession and about the presence of excess unaccounted amount in the premises of the office, he kept silent with a sign of guilt in his face.

The DSP, ACB examined 11 Document writers/ Assistant Document Writers present in the O/o. Sub-Registrar, Proddatur. The gist of their statements are that they have been working as Document writers/Assistant Document writers and they are working by taking rented rooms in the premises of SRO office, Proddatur. On approach of claimants they used to prepare documents for registration, for getting ECs, Valuation certificates etc., the staff of the registrar office are demanding bribe of Rs.1000/- to 5000/- for each document. As usually today they came to the SRO office intended to give mamools collected from the claimants. Meanwhile ACB officials conducted surprise check on the O/o SRO, Proddatur and seized the unaccounted cash from their possession and etc., facts.

Charge-3:

That the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy in abuse of his official position, while working as Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur, being supervisory officer, he utterly failed to monitor the staff working under him in the office giving an ample scope for the subordinates, who resort to corrupt practices and violated the provisions laid down under by instructions of the Superior Officers and thereby he failed to take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

Basis of the charge:

Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kurnool Range, Kurnool, I/c Kadapa, his staff and mediators and the surprise check proceedings during surprise check proceedings prove that the staff working under his indulging in corrupt practices and collecting bribe from the people who are coming to the Registration Office to get registration of their properties, for getting Encumbrance Certificates, Marriage Registrations, Property Valuation Certificates and other purposes and also for engaging Private Persons for discharging official duties and also collecting bribes on behalf of the staff and etc., allegations.

As per Rule 3 (5) of APCS Conduct Rules, 1964, the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, being the in charge of the Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddaturshall take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government Servants for the time being under his control and authority. Whereas the Government Servant showed utter disregard to these conduct rules and failed as a Supervisory Officer.

Thus, the Government Servant Sri Singal Reddy Vidya Sagar Reddy, Joint Sub-registrar-1, O/o Sub Registrar office, Proddatur by his above mentioned acts has exhibited Slack Supervision, failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and thereby contravened Rule 3(1), 3(2), and 3(5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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The Government Servant had therefore rendered himself liable to be place on his defense before the Commissioner of Inquiry for major penalty.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF RECORDS/DOCUMENTS BY WHICH ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI SINGAL REDDY VIDYA SAGAR REDDY, AGE 53 YEARS, S/O SINGAL REDDY SIDDA REDDY,JOINT SUB-REGISTRAR-1, O/O SRO, PRODDATUR IN SC NO.1/SC-KDP/2019

1)Surprise Check proceedings dated 17.08.2019 drafted in the office of the Sub-Registrar office, Proddatur.
2)Attendance Register
3)Personal Cash Declaration Register
4)Letter of Sri L.Venkateswara Reddy, District Registrar (FAC), Proddatur vide Lr.No.D1/1397/2019 dt 25.08.2019.
5)Circular Memo No.X2/10708/94, dt 30.12.1997 of Commissioner & I.G (R&S), A.P, Hyderabad.
6)Memo No.X3/18180/95, dt 01.09.1996 of the Commissioner & Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, A.P
7)Memo No.X3/9743/95, dt 10.04.1995 of the Commissioner & Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, A.P

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHICH ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI SINGAL REDDY VIDYA SAGAR REDDY, AGE 53 YEARS, S/O SINGAL REDDY SIDDA REDDY,JOINT SUB-REGISTRAR-1, O/O SRO, PRODDATUR IN SC NO.1/SC-KDP/2019

1) Sri Gajjala Sanjeeva Reddy, Age 39 yrs., Agriculture Officer, Mobile Soil Testing Laboratory, Kadapa, R/o Flat No.302, Jay R Enclave, Bhagya nagar Colony, Kadapa, Cell No.9010452679.
2) Sri Musaligandla Timothy, Age 33 yrs., s/o M. Venkata Subbaiah (late), Junior Asst, O/o Asst.Director of Agriculture (Regular), R/o Door No.5-162, Ravindra nagar, Kadapa, Cell No.7799253851.
3) Sri Chennur Jamaluddin, age 52 years, S/o Khajapeer, Document writer, R/o Door No.15/787, Jinna Road, Proddutur cell No.9491475999.
4) Sri Pulla Velu Konda Reddy, age 57 years, S/o Narasimha Reddy, Document Writer, R/o Door No.12/569, Kota Veehi, Proddutur Cell No.9440093611.
5) Sri Vempalli Rama Mohan Rao, age 67 years, S/o Sada Siva Rao, document writer, R/o Homaspet, Proddutur Cell No.944082010.
6) Sri Lingaraju Mallikarjuna, age 43 years, S/o Uma Maheswar Rao, Document writer, R/o Chennamrajupalli, Proddutur Cell No.9849396321
7) Sri Shaik Ghoue Basha, age 27 years, S/o Kamal Basha, Assistant to Document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.6/555, Arts College Road, Proddutur Cell No.9177575179.
8) Sri Asam Raghu, age 46 years, S/o Ramakrishna Reddy, Assistant to Konda Reddy, R/o Door No.3/88, YMR Colony, Proddutur Cell No.9177464107.
9) Sri Shaik Gaffar Basha, age 27 years, S/o Abdul Rasool, Assistant to document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.15/462-2, Balaji Nagar, Proddutur Cell No.9951492078.
10) Sri Mulapak Venkata Subbaiah, age 21 years, S/o Sambaiah, Assistant to document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.2/130, Kallur (V), Proddutur Cell No.9502176190.
11) Sri Guddeti Sreenivasulu, age 34 years, S/o Ramaiah, Assistant to Document writer Jamaluddin, R/o Door No.5/1774-1, Srinivasa Nagar, Proddutur Cell No.957364121.
12) Sri Jollu Bharat Kumar, age 28 years, S/o Prasad (Gold Values), IIFL (INDIAN INFOLIN FINANCE LTD), Assistant to document writer Kamal Basha, Homaspet, Proddutur, R/o Door No.25/436, Vasanthapeta Street, Proddutur Cell No.9000023467.
13) Sri Vempalli Raghu Prasad Rao, age 48 years, S/o Rama Bhadra Rao, Assistant to document writer Rama Mohan Rao, R/o Door No.14/218, Srinivasapuram, Gopavaram Panchayat, Proddutur Cell No.9849330971.
14) Sri Syed Mohammed Rafi, 37 yrs., R/o D.No.21/224, Hyder Khan street, Proddatur, YSR District.
15) Sri C.Somasekhar Reddy, R/o Flat No.406, C.Block Elite Avenue Apartment, Teachers Colony, Kothapalli, Proddatur, YSR District.
16) Sri Moole Mysoora Reddy, Age 49 yrs., R/o D.No.14/284-8-1, Mydukur village & town, YSR Dist.
17) Sri Veerendra Kumar, Age 41 yrs., R/o Doo No.5/1663 Upstairs, Sriram Nagar street, Proddatur.
18) Sri D.Venugopal Reddy, Age 36 yrs., R/o Door No.4/881, Venkateswara peta, Proddatur.

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19) Sri Udayagiri Madhusudhana Rao, age 39 years, S/o Anjaneyulu, System Engineer (Akshara Enterprises India Pvt Ltd), O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur, R/o Door No.4-1510-1, Super Bazar Road, MurrasadhuMattam Street, Prodduur Cell No.9014417770.
20) Kum. Yerrablli Mahejabeen, age 33 years, D/o Y.Mahammad Ismail, private computer operator, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur, R/o Door No.21/460, K.H.M Street, Proddutur, Cell No.9110762382.
21) Sri Polepalli Lokesh, age 29 years, S/o Venu Gopal, private computer operator, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o Door No.2/3-188/60, Vasavi Colony, Pulivendula Cell No.9000316995.
22) Sri Nune Madhav, age 29 years, S/o Subbarayudu, private computer operator, O/o Sub-Registrar office, Proddutur R/o Door No.9/140-10-22, Saipeta, Kadapa Cell No.9000197010.
23) Sri. M. Nagabhushanam, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kurnool Range, Kurnool, I/c Kadapa.
24) Sri.K.Ramachandra, Inspector of Police, ACB, Kadapa.
25) Sri P. Sreenivasa Reddy, Inspector of Police, ACB, Kadapa

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